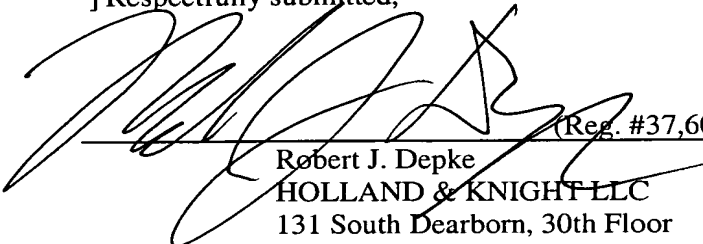


**REMARKS**

By this Amendment Applicants have cancelled claims 2-4 and 6-24 without prejudice in order to reduce the issues on Appeal. Applicant requests that the Examiner notify the undersigned when this Amendment is officially entered so that the Appeal Brief may be modified to reflect entry of these changes.

]Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 11, 2003

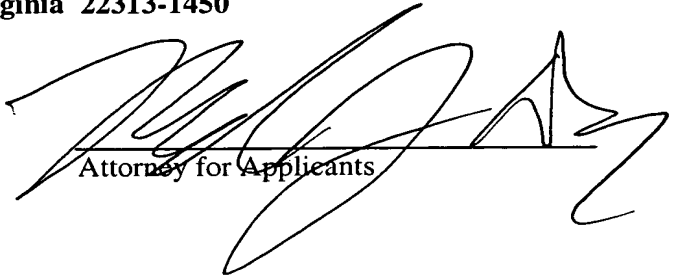
  
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